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BINDING MEMBERS OF SPECIFIC
BINDING PAIRS

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF JUNE 12, 2008

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the non-final office action mailed June 12, 2008. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections and request reconsideration in view of the following patentability arguments. "Amendments to Pending Claims" are listed beginning at page 2 of this paper. "Patentability Arguments" begin at page 4 of this paper.

This response is accompanied by a request for a three months extension of time and therefore, it is timely filed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct the corresponding extension-of-time fee as well as any other fee that may be deemed necessary and proper in connection with the filing of this document and/or to maintain pendency of this application from Howrey LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-3038.